

Get Involved

Ten days after this public hearing, the public comment period will close on **March 8, 2026**.
(March 13 if inclement weather date is used)

A comment sheet is enclosed and can be submitted at tonight’s hearing or by mail to Tyler Marshall, PE, CFM, Project Manager, Virginia Department of Transportation, 4219 Campbell Avenue, Lynchburg, VA 24501-4801. You may also email your comments to TylerH.Marshall@VDOT.Virginia.gov. Please reference “Front Street Sidewalk Project” in the subject line and reference which project you are commenting about.

Information must be postmarked, e-mailed or delivered to VDOT within 10 calendar days of the hearing in order to be included in the hearing record.

VDOT representatives will review and evaluate any information received as a result of the hearing.

Public hearing information, including the hearing summary, will be available for review at VDOT’s Lynchburg District Office located at 4219 Campbell Avenue, Lynchburg, VA 24501-4801.

After all comments have been addressed, the information received as a result of this hearing will be presented to VDOT’s Chief Engineer or designee for consideration.

If approval of the major design features is received for this project, it will move forward to the final design phase.

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Location & Design Public Hearing Front Street Sidewalk Project Lovingston Nelson County

Thursday, February 26, 2026, 4 – 6 p.m.

The Nelson Center
8445 Thomas Nelson Hwy.

Lovingston, VA 22949

<https://www.vdot.virginia.gov/projects/lynchburg-district/front-street-sidewalk-project-lovingston/>
(Inclement weather date March 3, 2026)



Location and Design Public Hearing

Welcome to the Virginia Department of Transportation’s (VDOT) design public hearing on a project to improve safety in Lovingston by installing accessible sidewalks and curb ramps that meet ADA and VDOT standards.

This design public hearing is being held to provide an opportunity for citizens or organizations to give VDOT comments and/or suggestions on the proposed project. VDOT strives to ensure that all members of the community have the opportunity to participate in public decisions on transportation projects and programs affecting them.

VDOT representatives are present to discuss the project and answer your questions.

A comment sheet is included in the handouts for this meeting, and your input is encouraged. All oral and written comments received on this project will be reviewed by VDOT personnel and will be available for review by citizens and other interested parties.

Project Overview



Available Allocations - \$3.9 Million

Purpose – Improve safety

From – Route 1001 (Main St.)

To – Route 1005 (Theater Dr.)

Project Length – 0.2 mile

Improvements –

- Construct/rebuild sidewalk to ADA and VDOT standards to improve safety.
- Construct curb extensions and bump-outs to reduce pedestrian crossing distances.
- Remove/Relocate obstructions from the sidewalk.

State Project: EN24-062-859, P101
Federal Project: TAP-062-3(170) UPC: 125458

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The goal of this project is to construct sidewalks in the town of Lovington to improve pedestrian safety.

The Project involves construction of accessible sidewalks and curb ramps that meet ADA and VDOT Standards along the west side of Front Street (BUSINESS Route 29).

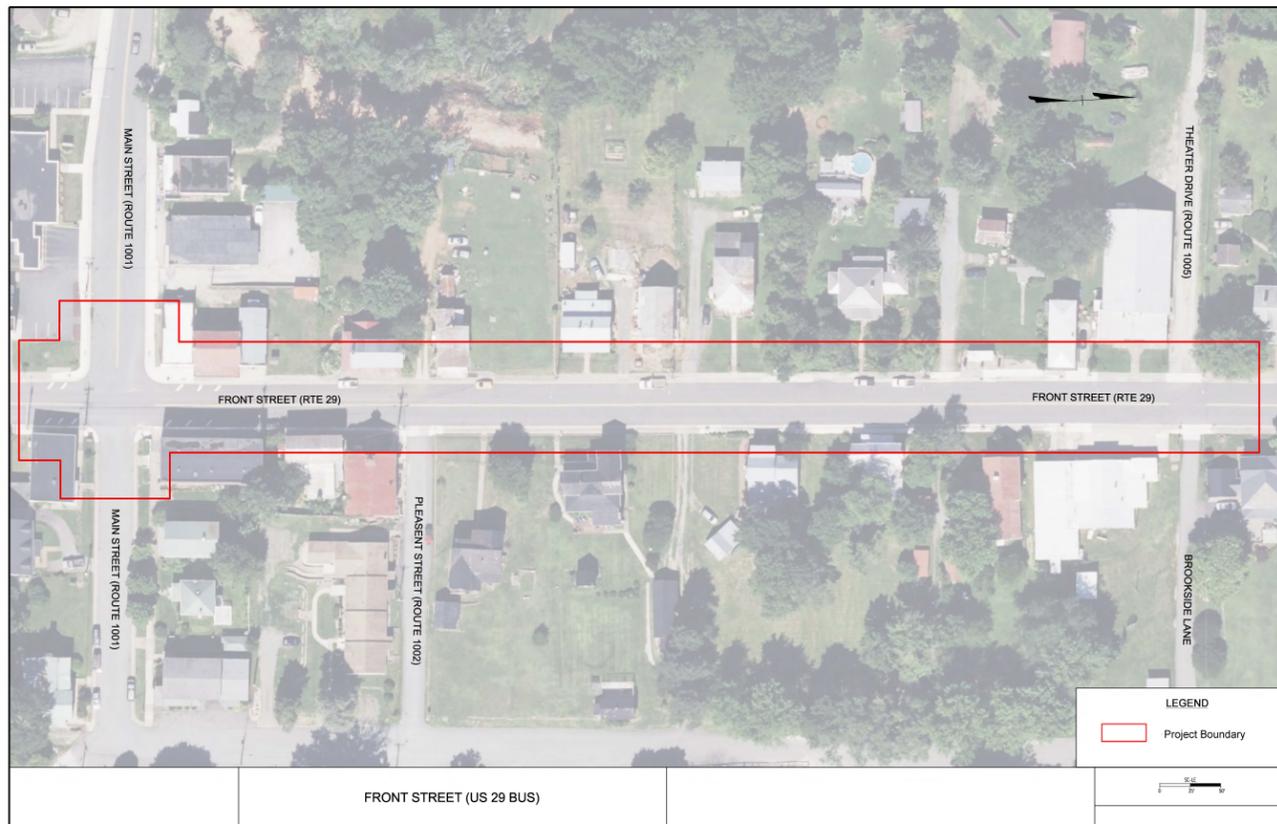
Curb extensions and bump-outs will be constructed to reduce pedestrian crossing distances. Additional improvements include replacing driveway ramps that do not meet ADA standards and removing obstructions from the sidewalk and relocating them to less obstructive areas.

Temporary lane closures and traffic shifts may be necessary during construction. Access to all properties and businesses will be maintained during construction.

The design of this project is in compliance with the Stormwater Management Act, stormwater regulations and the annual stormwater management standards and specifications approved by the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation. Potential impacts to the flood plains will be evaluated and addressed on this project.

The construction of this project will conform to the nationwide best management practices, VDOT specifications and special provisions, and the Virginia Department of Soil and Water conservation regulations. Also, during construction, every reasonable effort will be made to protect the environment with respect to dust and erosion control.

Project Graphic



Estimated Project Cost

Total Cost: \$3.9 Million

- Preliminary Engineering: \$378,000
- Right of Way: \$1.1 Million
- Construction: \$2.4 Million

These costs are subject to change. The project will be funded using state and federal funds.

Civil Rights

VDOT ensures nondiscrimination and equal employment in all programs and activities in accordance with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

If you need more information regarding your civil rights on this project or special assistance for persons with disabilities or limited English proficiency, contact the project manager listed on the back of this brochure.

Right of Way

As VDOT further develops and finalizes this project, additional easements for utility relocation may be required beyond the proposed right of way shown on the public hearing plans.

Construction will not require the displacement of any families, businesses or non-profit organizations.

Information about right of way purchase is discussed in VDOT's brochure entitled "Right of Way and Utilities: A Guide for Property Owners and Tenants. Copies of this brochure are available here.

After this meeting, information regarding right of way may be obtained from the right of way contact listed on the back of this brochure.

Anticipated Schedule

The following schedule has been proposed for the project:

- Public Hearing – February 2026
- Right of Way – December 2026
- Advertise for Construct. Bids – Summer 2028
- Construction Begins – Fall 2028
- Construction Completed – Fall 2029

Environmental Review

VDOT's Lynchburg District Environmental Office has performed environmental reviews and coordination to obtain information about environmental resources in the project vicinity; to provide natural and historic resource agencies an opportunity to review and comment on the project during its development; and to identify opportunities for avoidance, minimization and mitigation of potential environmental impacts.

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) is applicable to this project and a NEPA document in the form of a Programmatic Categorical Exclusion has been developed in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration and in accordance with federal guidelines. The NEPA document includes information from various technical reviews including those related to natural resources, water quality, cultural resources, threatened and endangered species, air quality, noise, etc.

The project will continue to be coordinated with the appropriate federal, state, and local agencies as part of environmental review and approval processes required throughout project development and construction. All required environmental clearances will be obtained prior to commencement of construction. Strict compliance with all environmental conditions and commitments resulting from regulatory approvals, and implementation of VDOT's specifications and standard best management practices will protect the environment during construction.

The NEPA document and the results of other environmental studies are available at today's meeting. Representatives from VDOT's Environmental Section are available to discuss this information and to answer questions.